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1. It is expected that Secretary General Alois Vollgruber of the Austrian Foreign Office will be appointed as Ambassador to France before the end of April 1953. He will replace the present ambassador, Dr. Heinrich Schmid, who has long been ailing and will probably retire.
2. A permanent Austrian delegation is to be assigned to the European Coal and Steel Union (Montan-Union) in Luxembourg sometime before April 1953. The delegation will be headed by an as yet undesignated official of the Foreign Office and will consist of a representative of the Ministry of National Enterprises, a representative of the Ministry of Trade, and a technical expert on iron and coal.

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